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OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR EPA SCIENCE ADVISORY BOARD

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Steven Milloy JunkScience.com 12309 Briarbush Lane Potomac, MD 20854

Re: Freedom of Information Request Number EPA-HQ-2017-000296

Dear Mr. Milloy:

This letter is in response to your request dated October 10, 2016, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). You requested all the EPA staff email (incoming and outgoing) and documents relating to the nomination and selection of Donna Kenski to the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee, and that the emails and documents should include all those that mention/discuss any of the nominees, from April 4, 2016 through October 7, 2016.

The Science Advisory Board Staff Office (SABSO) has identified 408 records responsive to your request. Of these records, 13 are being withheld and three are partially redacted in accordance with Exemption 5 of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. §522 (b)(5)), which allows an agency to withhold from disclosure inter-agency or intra-agency memoranda, e-mails, or letters of the deliberative process and one is partially redacted under Exemption 6 of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. §552 (b)(6)) – personnel and similar information, disclosure of which would represent an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Please find enclosed the requested information.

If you believe that this is a denial of your request, you may appeal in writing to the National Freedom of Information Officer at:

Mr. Larry F. Gottesman National Freedom of Information Act Officer Records, FOIA, and Privacy Branch U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T) Washington, D.C. 20460

Fax: (202) 566-2147 Email: <u>hq.foia@epa.gov</u>

Please note that only correspondence mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to the address above. If you want to deliver your appeal in person, via courier service,

or via an overnight delivery service, the delivery address should be: 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, D.C. 20001.

Your appeal must be submitted no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The appeal letter should include the request number listed above. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90 calendar-day limit. For the quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

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